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SUBJECT: ASIA SOCIETY SEMINAR ON ASEAN

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1. GENERALLY, WE HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH THE NOTE AS YOU
SUGGEST IN REFTTEL BUT YOU MAY WANT TO STRENGTHEN IT BY
ADDING THAT ASIA SOCIETY INVITATIONS EXTENDED THROUGH
PHILIPPINE REPS IN NEW YORK WAS NOT ADDRESSED TO ASEAN AS
AN ORGANIZATION BUT TO PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT REPRESENTA-
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TIVES WHO WILL HAPPEN TO BE IN NEW YORK AT THAT TIME.
WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THIS IS A MATTER WHICH DIRECTLY
RELATES TO ASEAN-US CONSULTATIONS OR NEEDS TO OCCUPY THE
ATTENTION OF THE ASEAN COORDINATOR. SPECIFICALLY, YOU
MAY WISH TO CHANGE LAST SENTENCE OF YOUR PROPOSED NOTE
TO READ "THIS IS A MATTER FOR PROSPECTIVE INVITEES OR
THEIR GOVERNMENTS TO DECIDE".

2. YOU MAY WISH TO EXPLAIN ORALLY TO MRS. MANALO THAT INVITATION IS NO DIFFERENT THAN ANY INVITATION EXTENDED BY A PRIVATE ORGANIZATION TO, LET US SAY THE PHILIPPINE AMBASSADOR OR A VISITING PHILIPPINE DIGNITARY, AN OCCURANCE WHICH WE ASSUME IS QUITE FREQUENT. AN INCREASING

NUMBER OF PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS IN THE US HAVE BECOME AWARE OF THE EXISTENCE OF ASEAN AND WE HAVE HAD SEVERAL CALLS FROM VARIOUS PARTS OF THE COUNTRY INDICATING INTEREST IN HOLDING MEETINGS AND SEMINARS TO FAMILIARIZE MEMBERS OF THESE PRIVATE GROUPINGS WITH THE ROLE AND FUNCTION OF ASEAN. PARTICIPATION OF KNOWLEDGABLE INDIVIDUALS FROM THE REGION COULD BE BENEFICIAL BUT OBVIOUSLY INVITEES WILL HAVE TO DETERMINE THEIR OWN PRIORITIES.

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